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as long as two people who have differing views on a subject are unwilling to yield anything. The form of this bill prevents me from being willing to yield anything. There is nothing for me If the other side wanted to make an offer to negotiate about. and the offer was that they would strike all of this stuff about taking the license, whether through suspension or impoundment. they would either modify or strike all of that exemption language relative to churches and Christian ceremonies therein. What would be left of the bill? The bill would make consumption liquor by an underage person a crime. The reason I say we could negotiate is because I don't think the mere consumption, under any and all circumstances, besides that which is exempted at home and at church, should be a crime. I don't believe that. But we could talk about it and maybe they would see fit to find circumstances when that consumption, by itself, would not amount to a crime.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: As long as they leave in the language about taking the driver's license and that religiously bigoted language which elevates the Christian faith above all others for the purpose of giving it a benefit denied to all other religions, we're just going to have to battle this out. And I'm curious to see if they're willing to battle as long as I am. Is that my third time, Mr. President?

SENATOR CUDABACK: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm going to put on my light.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Are you through, Senator? You have 30

seconds.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'll give them back.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Clerk, items for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, thank you. A new resolution, LR 47, by Senator Wickersham, congratulating the Alliance High School boys' basketball team. Have a Reference report referring